



California Regional Water Quality Control Board

Los Angeles Region



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Arnold Schwarzenegger
Governor

March 10, 2010

Mr. Enrique C. Zaldivar, Director
City of Los Angeles, Bureau of Sanitation
1149 S. Broadway 9th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Dear Mr. Zaldivar:

TENTATIVE WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS (WDR) AND NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT – CITY OF LOS ANGELES, TERMINAL ISLAND TREATMENT PLANT (NPDES PERMIT NO. CA0053856, CI # 2171)

We have completed our review of your application for renewal of the permit to discharge wastes under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES).

Pursuant to the Federal Clean Water Act, as amended, and in accordance with the California Water Code, tentative waste discharge requirements have been prepared for your discharge.

Enclosed are copies of the following:

1. Tentative Requirements consisting of:
 - a. Board Order;
 - b. Definitions (Attachment A);
 - c. Flow Schematic (Attachment B);
 - d. Map (Attachment C);
 - e. Standard Provisions (Attachment D);
 - f. Monitoring and Reporting Program (Attachment E);
 - g. Fact Sheet (Attachment F);
 - h. Generic Toxicity Reduction Evaluation (TRE) Workplan (POTW) (Attachment G);
 - i. Pretreatment Requirements (Attachment J);
 - j. MBAS Effluent Data (Attachment K);
 - k. Ammonia Effluent Data (Attachments L);
 - l. Projected Total Ammonia Concentration in Receiving Water (Attachment M);
 - m. Ammonia and MBAS Reasonable Potential Analyses (Attachment N); and,
 - n. Copper Reasonable Potential Analysis (Attachment O).
2. Notice of Public Hearing
 - a. Instruction Sheet for Posting Public Notice;
 - b. Notice of Public Hearing; and,
 - c. Statement of Posting Notice.

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Mr. Enrique C. Zaldivar
City of Los Angeles

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March 10, 2010

If you have any questions, please contact Don Tsai at (213) 576-6665.

Sincerely,



Rebecca Christmann, Unit Lead
Municipal Permitting Unit (NPDES)

cc. See Mailing List

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MAILING LIST

Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, Clean Water Act Standards and Permits (WTR-5)
U.S. Army Corp of Engineers
NOAA, National Maritime Fisheries Service
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Ecological Services
State Water Resources Control Board – Stephanie Trotter
State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Water Quality – Phil Isorena
California Department of Fish and Game, Region 5
California Department of Fish and Game, Marine Resources Region
California Department of Health Services, Environmental Management Branch
California Department of Public Health, Drinking Water Branch – Gary Yamamoto
California Coastal Commission, South Coast Region
Santa Monica Bay Restoration Commission
Los Angeles County, Department of Public Works, Waste Management Division
Los Angeles County, Department of Health Services
Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts
City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Engineering, Wastewater
System Engineering Division

City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation, Industrial Waste
Management
City of Los Angeles, Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation, Watershed Protection
Division
City of Los Angeles, Department of Water and Power
City of Los Angeles, Office of Chief Legislative Analyst, - Rafael Prieto
ULARA Watermaster
Water Replenishment District of Southern California
American Ocean Campaign
Heal The Bay
Environment Now
Santa Monica BayKeeper
Sierra Club
Surfrider Foundation
Southern California Coastal Water Research Project
Natural Resources Defense Council



**INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANT
FOR
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS**

City of Los Angeles
(Terminal Island Treatment Plant)
(NPDES Permit No. CA0053856)

One copy of a notice of public hearing and a statement of posting notice form are enclosed. By March 17, 2010, you are directed to comply with one of the following methods of informing the public of your waste discharge:

1. Publish the enclosed public notice in a daily newspaper or periodical which circulates in the general locality to be affected by the discharge, or
2. Post copies of the enclosed public notice in conspicuous places near the entrance of the premises and in the locality to be affected by the discharge.

Any expenses arising from the posting or publication of the enclosed public notice shall be borne by the discharger.

You must file with this office proof of such posting or publication. Proof of posting shall consist of a statement executed on the enclosed form; proof of publication shall consist of an affidavit of the publisher or foreman of the newspaper, with a copy of the notice as published, attached. Proof of posting or publication must be submitted to this Regional Board by March 24, 2010.

Failure to post or publish the public notice by the specified date may require us to reschedule this item for a later hearing and will require the posting or publication of a second notice.



Rebecca E. Christmann, Unit Lead
Municipal Permitting Unit

**CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
LOS ANGELES REGION**

320 W. 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, California 90013
(213) 576-6600

Public Notice No. 10-019
NPDES No. CA0053856

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**PROPOSED REISSUANCE
OF
WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
(National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit)**

DISCHARGER

City of Los Angeles
(Terminal Island Treatment
Plant)

DISCHARGE LOCATION

445 Ferry Street
San Pedro, California

RECEIVING WATER

Los Angeles Outer Harbor

The City of Los Angeles (hereinafter the City or Discharger) discharges tertiary-treated wastewater and brine waste, from its Terminal Island Treatment Plant (TITP) to the Los Angeles Outer Harbor, a water of the United States, via Discharge Serial No. 001: Latitude 33° 43' 19.6", Longitude 118° 14' 36.2". The discharge is regulated under waste discharge requirements contained in Order Nos. R4-2005-0024 and R4-2008-0082 (amendment), adopted by this Regional Board on April 7, 2005 and October 2, 2008, respectively. Order Nos. R4-2005-0024 and R4-2008-0082 serve as permits under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES No. CA0056227).

The TITP is a publicly owned treatment work (POTW) owned and operated by the City's Department of Public Works, Bureau of Sanitation. The TITP is located at 445 Ferry Street, San Pedro, California. The design capacity of the TITP is 30 million gallons per day. Treatment at the TITP consists of wastewater processing, advanced wastewater treatment processing, and biosolids processing.

On the basis of preliminary staff review and application of lawful standards and regulations, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board), Los Angeles Region, tentatively proposes to issue revisions to the Discharger's waste discharge requirements, including effluent limitations and special conditions.

HEARING DATE AND LOCATION

The Regional Water Board will hold a public hearing on the tentative WDRs during its regular Board meeting on the following date and time and at the following location:

Date: May 6, 2010

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Board Room, 700 North Alameda Street, Los Angeles, California

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City of Los Angeles – Terminal Island Treatment Plant

Interested persons are invited to attend. At the public hearing, the Regional Water Board will hear testimony, if any, pertinent to the discharge, WDRs, and permit. Oral testimony will be heard; however, for accuracy of the record, important testimony should be in writing.

Please be aware that dates and venues may change. Our Web address is <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/> where you can access the current agenda for changes in dates and locations.

AVAILABILITY OF DOCUMENTS

The Report of Waste Discharge (ROWD), and other documents relied upon, tentative effluent limitations and special provisions, comments received, and other information are on file are available for inspection and copying between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. by appointment at the following address:

Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board
320 West 4th Street, Suite 200
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Arrangements for file review and/or obtaining copies of the documents may be made by calling the Regional Water Board at (213) 576-6600. Additionally, the agenda, the fact sheet, the draft order will be available online at: <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/losangeles/> under the "Tentative Permits" heading.

The entire file will become a part of the administrative record of this proceeding, irrespective of whether individual documents are specifically referenced during the hearing or contained in the agenda packet. The entire file will not be present in the hearing room. In addition to the materials generated for this proceeding, the file includes the administrative records for the applicable Basin Plan amendments. Should any interested persons desire staff to bring to the hearing any particular documents that are not included in the agenda packet, they must submit a written or electronic request to staff during business hours, not later than five business days before the hearing. The request must identify the documents with enough specificity for staff to locate them.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND SUBMITTAL OF EVIDENCE

Persons wishing to comment on, or object to, the tentative waste discharge requirements, or submit evidence for the Board to consider, are invited to submit them in writing to Don Tsai at the above address, or send them electronically to dtsai@waterboards.ca.gov. To be evaluated and responded to by Regional Water Board staff, included in the Board's agenda folder, and fully considered by the Board, written comments or testimony regarding the tentative must be received no later than 12 p.m. (Noon) on **April 9, 2010**. Failure to comply with these requirements is grounds for the Regional Water Board to refuse to admit the proposed written comment or exhibit into evidence pursuant to section 648.4, title 23 of the California Code of Regulations.

NATURE OF HEARING

This proceeding will be a formal adjudicatory proceeding. For such proceedings, the Regional Water Board follows procedures established by the State Water Resources Control Board. These procedures are set forth in regulations commencing with section 647 of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations, in particular, Article 2, commencing with section 648.

PARTIES TO THE HEARING

The following are the parties to this proceeding:

1. The applicant/permittee
2. Regional Board Staff

Any other persons requesting party status must submit a written or electronic request to staff not later than [20] business days before the hearing. All parties will be notified if other persons are so designated.

HEARING PROCEDURE

The board meeting, of which this hearing is a part, will start at 9:00 a.m. Interested persons are invited to attend. When the agenda item is called, staff will present the matter under consideration, after which oral statements from parties or interested persons will be heard. For accuracy of the record, all important testimony should be in writing. The Board will include in the administrative record written transcriptions of oral testimony that is actually presented at the hearing. Oral testimony may be limited to five minutes or less for each interested person, depending on the number of interested persons wishing to be heard.

Parties or interested persons with similar concerns or opinions are encouraged to choose one representative to speak, and are encouraged to coordinate their presentations with each other. Parties will be advised after the receipt of public comments, but prior to the date of the hearing, of the amount of time each is allocated for presentations. That decision will be based upon the complexity and number of issues under consideration, the extent to which the parties have coordinated, the number of parties and interested persons anticipated, and the time available for the hearing. The parties are invited to contact staff not later than **April 22, 2010** (two weeks prior to the hearing) to discuss how much time they believe is necessary for their presentations, and staff will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests. At the conclusion of testimony, the Board will deliberate in open or close session, and render a decision.

The Board does not generally require the prior identification of witnesses or the cross examination of witnesses, or other procedures not specified in this notice. Parties or persons with special procedural requests or requests for alternative hearing procedures should contact staff, who will endeavor to accommodate reasonable requests. Objections to any procedure to be used during this hearing must be submitted in writing no later than close of business 15 business days prior to the date of the hearing. (Any objections related to the amount of time allocated for parties' presentations must be submitted within two business days of notice thereof, if that date is less than 15 business days before the hearing.) Absent such objections, any procedure not specified in this hearing notice will be waived pursuant to section 648(d) of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations. Procedural objections will not be entertained at the hearing.

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If there should not be a quorum on the scheduled date of this meeting, all cases will be automatically continued to the next scheduled meeting on June 3, 2010. A continuance will not extend any time set forth herein.

STAFF CONTACTS

If you have any question regarding this proposed action, please contact Don Tsai at (213) 576-6665 or via email at dtsai@waterboards.ca.gov or Rebecca Christmann, Unit Lead of the Municipal Permitting (POTW) Unit at (213) 576-6756 or via email at rchristmann@waterboards.ca.gov.

Date: March 10, 2010

STATEMENT OF POSTING NOTICE
NPDES NO: CA0053856

REPORT OF WASTE DISCHARGE BY City of Los Angeles: Terminal Island Treatment Plant

(NAME OF PERSON WHO POSTED COPIES OF NOTICE) says:

(INSERT "THAT HE IS THE DISCHARGER" OR "THAT ACTING
ON BEHALF OF THE DISCHARGER")

who filed the Report of Waste Discharge with the CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY
CONTROL BOARD, _____ Region,

_____ on the _____ day of _____ 2010,
("AND DID" OR "HE DID")

posted two copies of notice of said report identical to the attached copy.

That he posted one copy of said notice _____
(DESCRIBE HOW AND WHERE

POSTED AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE)

and the other copy of said notice _____
(DESCRIBE HOW AND WHERE

POSTED AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE)

That each of said copies thus posted occupied a conspicuous place in the locality to be
affected by the proposed discharge.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true.

Signed on the _____ day of _____, 2010, at _____, California.

(SIGNATURE OF PERSON WHO
POSTED COPIES OF NOTICE)

COMPANY: _____

TITLE: _____